



"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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Seven Great Christian Principles Which Are Neglected

BY B. L. HICKS

1. THE LOVE OF CORRECTION.

"Correction is grievous unto him that forsaketh the way; and he that hateth reproof shall die." Prov. 15:10. It is not enough for us to submit to correction, or accept it when it is almost forced on us, but we are to love to be corrected. I don't mean that we should love it in that way that we would go wrong on purpose, just so we could get some correction. After we have done our best to do the right thing there will be more room for correction than will ever be filled. We should all be so hungry and anxious to do right that we would invite correction, seek correction and welcome correction from the Lord and one another. Just anybody can say, "'Tis none of your business. I am just as good as you!" But we are practicing a great Christian principle when we have the grace to say, when corrected, "Thank you, I appreciate your help. I will do better." And that must be from the heart.

2. JUSTICE BEFORE HUMAN SYMPATHY. *"He was a just man."* Mark 6:20. Justice is a great Christian principle. It means rectitude, no partiality, or respect of persons. A truly just person will stand for the right if he has to stand against his kinsfolk. Any person that will take a stand against the church, the pastor or the teachings of the Assembly, just in order to defend a friend or a relative, that person needs salvation enough to make them just. A just person in the office of authority in the church or state will not accept bribes, he will not accept the efforts of those who try to gain

his favor for advantage's sake. He will have no pets nor favorites. He will not advance some just because they dance to his personal music, and at the same time put others on the shelf just because they cross some of his pet fancies. Justice is so



great that God will specialize in it on the last great day.

3. HONESTY BEFORE EASE. *"Provide things honest in the sight of all men."* Rom. 12:17. A man might be honest without being a Christian, but he surely can't be a Christian without being

honest. Some people will push themselves in debt just as far as they can get on every side; it seems that they would buy out Sears-Roebuck and Company, if they could get it on credit, and then try to justify themselves as honest people just because they are not "able" to pay. Real honest people are careful not to get in debt more than they are able to pay. When an honest man is working for someone, he will work just as good when the "boss" is not looking at him as he will when the "boss" is looking at him. When an honest man finds some money or something someone has lost, he will not consider it his just because he found it. The lost article belongs to the one who lost it. Therefore, he will honestly try to find the owner of that which was lost. He will do like he would like to be done.

4. ABILITY TO SEE ONE'S OWN FAULTS. *"And anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see."* Rev. 3:18. It has been an established fact from the beginning of Christianity that the truly spiritual, consecrated Christian can see his faults. The closer we get to the DIVINE, the plainer our imperfections will show up. Every human has his faults or weaknesses, but every human does not have the ability to see his own faults as clearly as the faults of others. And remember, too, that when we are looking at what we "think" is a fault in the other fellow, about half of the time it is not a fault in God's sight, it is just the way we are looking at it. Maybe a little

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NOTICES

From the Field

Brother C. E. Richard is with us in a revival at the Kentucky King church, Lisle, Ky. Please pray for its success. We are looking forward to a great time.—J. L. Guthrie, pastor, Twila, Ky.

One house trailer for sale. Well furnished. Must see it to appreciate it. Will sacrifice at \$125.00 cash.—L. H. Powell, 74 Laurel St., Alexander City, Ala.

To our many friends east, west, north and south: Greetings in the name of our soon-coming King. We are in Albuquerque, the largest city in New Mexico. We have a nice little hall rented on Highway 85, just across the south bridge on opposite side of Highway 85 from the Gold Acre tourist camp, next door to the Rio Grande filling station. We started our revival Friday night, Jan. 19. We have made mention of the location so the people of New Mexico can find it. We would appreciate your prayers for this revival. There is no church here but we believe God is able to give us what we ask for.

We are glad to report a good revival at Hobbs with thirteen saved, four sanctified and six filled with the Holy Ghost. We also had wonderful success in Hot Springs. Fifteen were saved, three sanctified and seven filled with the Holy Ghost. This revival is still going on. Brother and Sister George Savchenko of Montana are in charge. They are having good interest.

We want to say a good word for Brother and Sister Largin, pastors of Hot Springs church. They have done a good work there and have many friends. We also want to mention Brother and Sister Watts of Hot Springs; they were so nice to us. They fixed us up such a nice room to stay in while we were there. Bless their hearts. May God abundantly bless them for their goodness to us is the Ramsey Band's prayer.

Brother Earl Schultze is at Roswell. He came here with us from Minnesota. He is helping Brother and Sister Levell build a church there. The church will soon be completed. How glad we are to have a new church in New Mexico. We appreciate a man like Brother Schultze who has a mind to work.

Sister Goodman is at Carlsbad with Brother Gregory in a revival. We thank the Lord for Brother and Sister Goodman who came in the church at Hobbs while we were there. We praise God for our new field of labor. We have found a good band of God's children with real cooperation and love. We want to visit our

Brother Clark Goodman at Victor, Colo., also Brother Amrine at Denver and all our preachers in Mexico as soon as possible.

Remember, preachers and churches, we are praying for you and any time we can help you, don't fail to call on us. We, the Ramsey Band, need your prayers. May God bless all our workers in New Mexico, Colorado and Utah.—H. E. Ramsey, Box 564, Hobbs, N. Mex.

CORRECTION: In the January 20th issue of the Evangel under miscellaneous orphanage report the Church of God at Manns Choice, Pa. was given credit for only two sheets when it should have been given credit for five.

To our many friends who keep writing and asking if I am pastoring a church or what I am doing in Arizona. I am not pastoring any church as I was not able to take any work this year. I have far advanced tuberculosis and surely need the prayers of all the saints. It has been necessary for me to consult a number of doctors in order to get my insurance by this. I have been told that my chance was slim, but I know that God can bring me out, if it is His will. It is about one hundred miles from where we live to the nearest Church of God, so we will appreciate a card or letter from anyone.—J. R. Thomas, 1126½ N. 4th Ave., Tucson, Ariz.

The Wilmington, N. C. district convention, which includes the churches of Wilmington, Broad Creek and New Bern, will convene February 17, 18 at Wilmington. Neighboring districts are invited to attend. Brother E. W. Williams, state overseer, will be in charge. We are expecting the Lord to bless in a wonderful way and also that it will be the best convention the Wilmington district has ever had.—W. W. Harmon, district overseer.

To whom it may concern: My address for this year is Rt. 3, Russell Springs, Ky.—George L. Cravens.

We are having an orphanage birthday program at Blantons Grove the 11th of February. Everybody is invited to come and all who have a birthday in the month of February are invited to bring a penny for every year of your age, also a special offering is to be taken. Come prepared to help the orphan children and God will bless every one who gives. All pastors on the Jesup district, encourage your members to come and take part. We are expecting a great day in the Lord.—M. B. Norris, Box 335, Jesup, Ga.

I am starting a revival at Wellston, Ohio. Please pray for our success.—Evangelist Bertha G. Shideler.

Anyone wishing to get in touch with me can do so by writing here—1409 S. New Jersey Ave., Wellston, Ohio, in care of Mr. I. N. Lambert, or at any time your letter will reach me at 313 S. Brittain Ave., Muncie, Ind.—Bertha G. Shideler, evangelist.

To my friends everywhere: Our new tent burned down Saturday night, Jan. 13. Please pray that we will soon have a place to worship in.—D. B. Myers, pastor, Peach Creek Church of God, Rt. 3, Bryan, Tex.

The district convention for the lower Rio Grande Valley Church of God will convene at Edinburg, Tex. from the 16th to 18th of February with our dear overseer, Brother H. N. Scoggins, in charge. Everybody is invited. We are expecting a great time. To all our members who are away: Please send in a mission offering.—J. C. Atkins, district pastor, 501 W. Stubbs St., Edinburg, Tex.

There is no Church of God close to us. Sometimes it seems I can't go any further but I see nothing to turn back to. I do wish someone would come this way and preach the Word. We need someone so badly. Pray for me and my family.—Willie Brewer, Rt. 1, Boaz, Ky.

We opened fire on the enemy here at Carrollton, Ga. Jan. 14. Brother J. E. Ledford of Temple, Ga. is here with his big gospel gun. He is surely preaching the Word. The church has been uplifted and sinners are making their way to the altar. Pray for the meeting here.—H. A. Powell, district overseer, Carrollton, Ga.

Eugene Lambert and the Winona quartet are open for calls for revivals. If interested contact us by writing Eugene Lambert, the evangelist, Gen. Del., Brookhaven, Miss. For reference we give T. W. Godwin, former state overseer of Mississippi, Hattiesburg, Miss.

We are on the battlefield for our Lord. We have the Tampa, Fla. district tent here at Zephyrhills, Fla. which is a new field. We appreciate the help from the dear saints and churches on the district who are cooperating with us. We are begging the Lord to give us a Church of God here. Pray that I will be healed as my blood pressure is not normal. To our many friends in Maryland where we labored last year: Greetings to you. Please remember us in special prayer at this time. We never did give a complete report of our last meeting at Drexel church but God worked wonderfully there. Thirty-five reported they were saved. We trust God will give us a wonderful meeting. (Continued on page 13)

Hell and Dynamite

R. L. GODWIN, Attorney at Law

For the past score of years hell has been very greatly enlarged. It will now require millions of tons of high-grade dynamite to blast out of office the hundreds of thousands of sorry preachers who are today drawing large salaries for preaching the hellish and Satanic-snare doctrine that socialism and communism are one and the same with the Word and doctrine of Jesus Christ. They also teach that Jesus Christ was not virgin-born, that He was not God with divine attributes, that there was no resurrection and ascension of Jesus Christ. These atheists and modernist evolutionists need blasting out and the churches need to be served by preachers of the Martin Luther, John Wesley, Whitfield, Fletcher, Moody, Finney, Sam Jones, Spurgeon, Jonathan Edwards type who will hold up the Word and faith of Jesus Christ instead of Satan and the world. We need lightning bolts of the Holy Spirit to strike this nation today—and the world as well.

Then it will require a very large tonnage of dynamite to blast out the agents and politicians, the serfs of the liquor trust, and the agents and attorneys of billion dollar corporations from the legislative halls of this great nation of representative government. It will not be long before equal rights to all and special privileges to none will become myth and fiction.

Then it will require an almost unlimited tonnage of dynamite to clear our higher institutions of learning of the ubiquitous anti-God, anti-Christ, anti-Bible, anti-moral, Sigmund Freud-professor! We have far too many communist teach-

ers on our college faculties and in our public schools. We should blast them out without argument or delay. All thinking Christian men and women in America today are alarmed at the appalling prevalence of drunkenness, debauchery, lawlessness, atheism, licentiousness among students of our higher institutions of learning. They are doubly disturbed by the fact that even where gross immorality is not apparent, there is present, only too often, a dangerous form of immorality: an indifference to all moral values, an ordering of youthful lives without reference to Christian ideals and faith!

People hate purity of heart and life—holiness—today because they are not acquainted with Jesus Christ. They have never had a vision of Jesus Christ as did Moses, Isaiah, and St. Paul. If people knew Christ, they would love Him and obey Him. They would make an absolute surrender to Him. People love sin and they are not willing to give it up and turn from it. When a man is done with sin he craves a pure heart and life—holiness. There is nothing else he can want. He who does not believe in holiness must believe in sin.

The great Henry Drummond said: "Show me ten square miles in the whole earth without Christianity, where the life of men and the purity of women are respected, and I will give up Christianity." The world needs the sound doctrine of Christianity, the gospel of Jesus Christ, more than ever before and the efforts of hell to destroy it and suppress it will never prevail against it! There is still ample divine dynamite.

came, and under His sweet anointing I marched forward with victory in my soul. Oh glory!

Now I am old but I can say with the Psalmist, "I have preached righteousness in the great congregation; lo, I have not refrained my lips, O Lord, thou knowest." Again the Psalmist declares, "I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord. The Lord hath chastened me sore: but he hath not given me over unto death." Again, "They that trust in the Lord shall be as Mount Zion, which cannot be removed; but abideth forever." To be willing and obedient is the key to success.

Now for encouragement I turn the pages of my "Love Letter from Heaven," the Holy Bible, and I still find there is a goal for old age—Psalms 92:12-15, "The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing; To show that the Lord is upright: he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him."

*I love Jesus with all my heart,
And from His precepts I will not part;
I'll cling to Him while life shall last,
And to my heart His Word I'll clasp.*
—Sister Clara Mullikin, Trappe, Md.

Give the Lord the Praise

YORK, S. C.—I praise the Lord for His goodness to me. Five weeks ago I took sick. They took me to the hospital and I stayed there three weeks. I was still trusting the Lord. The brothers and sisters prayed for me at the church and I lay in bed many nights and prayed and cried for the Lord to heal me and, praise the Lord, the pain is gone and I am back at home. I am giving the Lord the praise for it all.

I am not able to walk yet as my knee feels stiff. Please pray that the Lord will give me strength. I haven't been to church in three months.—Mrs. Bertie Ivey, 109 New St.

Looking Backward a Few Years

(A SHUT-IN)

I enjoy reading the Church of God Evangel. It would be nice if every shut-in could have one coming to his home each week. I am in this way thanking my many friends for the cards and letters of encouragement I have received since my illness. It has been nearly ten months now since I was first stricken down. God has provided every comfort and care for my need. His Word is Truth!

Now the above thought, "looking back a few years." I trust these thoughts will encourage others who may have become discouraged, to keep looking up and pressing on. When I went to school I was taught by kind parents to mind my teachers, and in those days we had that to do. It seemed that trying to obey and learn my lessons well drew my mind to the thought that if I kept on I, too, could be

in the graduating class. Therefore, I had a "goal" in view. Likewise, in my early Christian experience I attended church services regularly, paid attention to my instructors or pastors, did all I could to carry on this, the greatest of all works, the salvation of precious souls. God, seeing my hungry heart one day as I was filling my stove with wood, doing the work in my home as wife and mother, tears running down my cheeks, burdened for lost souls, spoke to me in a voice, saying, "Though ye have been among the pots, yet shall ye be as the wings of a dove covered with silver and her feathers with yellow gold." Suddenly my tears were all wiped away and joy unspeakable filled my soul! I knew there was something ahead for me, "a goal" in the spiritual life. Several years passed but the call

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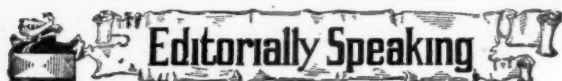
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A Forecast

ON October 26, 2144, there will be a total eclipse of the sun.

It may seem impossible to some that scientists can peer down through time 204 years and tell the exact day and hour that there will be a total eclipse of the sun, but it is true. Scientists are well acquainted with the path of the earth and of the sun and of the moon and can predict conditions brought about by the activities of these heavenly bodies. But after all that science has been able to find out, the span of man's life and what will happen to any man within the next twenty-four hours, is that that scientists have never been able to predict. As for man, God holds his future in His hand, but while that is true He holds out to him a privilege of choice and man may be the molder of his own destiny. How wonderful it is that God has given him the privilege to choose for himself and to plan for himself not only in this life but for that life which is worth far more than this one, the life which is eternal in its scope.

The Good Fellow

THE following quotation is taken from the

Free Methodist: "I never was guilty of wrong action but on my account lives have been lost, trains have been wrecked, ships have gone down at sea, cities have burned, battles have been lost, and governments have failed. I never struck a blow nor spoke an unkind word, but because of me homes have been broken up, friends have grown cold, the laughter of children has ceased, wives have shed bitter tears, brothers and sisters have forgotten, and fathers and mothers have gone broken-hearted to their graves. I have intended no evil but because of me talent and genius have come to naught, courtesy and kindness have failed, and the promise of success and happiness has yielded sorrow and disaster. I have no color except black, no sound but just my silence, no cause for being myself, no future except grief and disaster. You may not on the instant call me by name but surely you are personally acquainted with me. I AM NEGLECT."

There could not be a more graphic picture drawn of procrastination than this word picture we have just quoted, for everything that is pictured in this description belongs to neglect. Neglect may depend upon conditions or have other excuses by which it may work or lay those things upon others

for which it is guilty. It has no place in the life of a Christian. It should have no place in the Church. It does not have any place in the progressive Church, for where it works there will certainly be a lack of spirituality and a lack of growth.

The Rooster-Preacher

THIS little article by Prof. Claude A. Ries seems to be so fitting to those who wish to do something for God and feel that because they are lacking in educational advantages that there is nothing for them to do, that we are giving place for it in our editorials:

The Bible is replete with illustrations of the way God uses very humble and weak instruments to accomplish His purposes. God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things that are mighty. He used the mouth of a dumb animal to rebuke Balaam, a gourd and a worm to instruct the peevish Jonah, and a rooster to send a convicting dart into the heart of the wayward Peter.

Since childhood, Mrs. Alberta N. Dundas, according to the *Sunday School Times*, has been fascinated by stories of the special way God uses any one putting his all at God's disposal. When she found the Lord Jesus, she, too, expected to be thus used even in a foreign land. A missionary convention came her way. She rejoiced to hear how God had used speaker after speaker but felt that she could never qualify. Utterly discouraged she asked Dr. K. if God could use most any one in Christian service. "Use most any one? Of course He can. He used a rooster to convict Peter," smilingly replied the minister as he hastened away. The burden began to lift. "If God could use a rooster, can't He use me then? Am I not of more value than many roosters?" Taking a pencil, she wrote and rewrote until she had the following: "The Master will use any Christian following rules adhered to by the rooster. First, the rooster rises early and immediately begins his God-given task. Second, the

rooster does not refuse to crow because he cannot sing like a canary, but he does crow as if, to him at least, his work was the most important in the world. Third, he efficiently does that which is never praised. Whoever heard of anyone asking, Did you listen to that rooster crow? Hasn't he a charming voice! Fourth, he awakens sleepers, unpopular but often necessary. Fifth, he is a proclaimer of good news; a new day with opportuni-

ties and responsibilities has dawned. Sixth, he never complains about having to do the same common task and he does not worry about compensations or the recognition he should have." That night she prayed, "O God of the long ago and God of today, I realize I am of the common variety but gladly do I put myself at thy disposal. I cannot sing but with thy help I can crow." Thirty years have passed since that night, thirty years of serving with her minister husband, thirty years of awaking sleepers, thirty years of advertising the fine work done by others, thirty years of proclaiming the efficacy of the blood, the faithfulness of God and the surety of the Word. — *Houghton Church Bulletin, Houghton, N. Y.*

The above should certainly give all who feel the call to work for the Lord comfort and consolation and encourage them to throw themselves unreservedly into that service to which God has chosen them.

God's choice of men to represent Him and His work has been largely from those less filled and tainted with other things. He chose the apostles from the more humble walks of life. He needs clay, "He is the potter." Be thou the submissive blank, He will fill thee out.



Sevierville, Tenn.
January 22, 1940

E. L. Simmons, Editor and Publisher,
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Cleveland, Tennessee

Dear Brother Simmons:

Enclosed is an article submitted to me by the Senior Class, which they hope will assist them in raising funds. They intend to use what they receive in furnishing the lobby of the boys' dormitory, which certainly is a worthy cause.

Sincerely yours,
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BRIEF REPORTS

"A good report maketh the bones fat," Prov. 15:30.

Washington, Pa. Dist. Convention

The convention opened Friday evening, Jan. 5, 1940, with a fairly good crowd, despite the zero temperature. Soon after the convention opened the warm spiritual atmosphere, which was prevalent, drowned out the thoughts of it being cold.

Visiting ministers were present, also some duets, quartets, trios, etc., from the Williamsburg district, among whom were Brother and Sister R. E. Nuzum, Brother G. R. Folk and Brother R. Thomas. Good inspiring messages were brought throughout the convention. Our hearts and souls were uplifted. Helpful instructions were given by our highly esteemed overseer, Brother Paul H. Walker.

Saturday evening was set aside for missions. Color pictures and an illustrated lecture was given by Brother Walker. We might say here if you have not seen these pictures you have missed something. These pictures touched hearts when they saw the conditions in the mission field. An offering was taken and three times the amount wanted was raised. Praise God! Who could help or keep from giving to a worthy cause like that.

Sunday morning service opened with a talk by Sister Viola DeFino on "Sunday School—Its Benefits," which was very

helpful and good. In the closing afternoon service a very inspiring message was brought by Brother Paul H. Walker, our overseer, on "The Shepherd's Duties to His Flock," then making it a duplex sermon by preaching to the laymen and their duty to their pastor. The convention was enjoyed by all; hearts were encouraged to go back to their field of labor and do more for God and His cause.

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EPHRATA, Pa.—The Ephrata Church of God had an all-day fellowship service on New Year's day and God met with us in a mighty way throughout the day. We had good singing, praying and a wonderful sermon by Brother Sullivan of York on "God in the Church," and truly if we want our churches to go over the top for Jesus we must have God on our side and with us always. Brother Flinchum of Reamstown brought a message which God blessed in power and demonstration.

The afternoon service opened with a testimony meeting conducted by Brother P. R. Walker of Newville, followed by special singing by the Joy Bringers of the Peoples Church of York and their pastor, Rev. Ang. Fusco, spoke to us. During the afternoon there were messages by Brother Dennis of York; Brother Thomp-

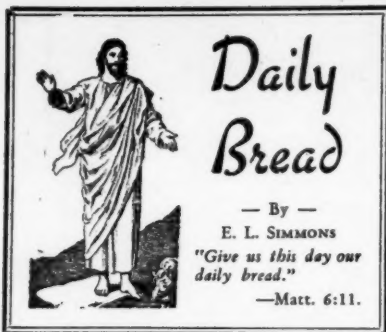
son of Chester; Brother P. R. Walker of Newville and our district pastor, Brother H. C. Stoppe of Reading. About thirty-five dollars was collected for our building fund. We thank Brother Stoppe for collecting this money for us.

The evening service was in charge of Brother Flinchum, our district Y. P. E. and Sunday School superintendent of Reamstown, and the different Y. P. E. presidents of visiting churches spoke to us. May God bless all the Y. P. E's in Pennsylvania and make them a blessing. This was followed by short messages by Brothers Ang. Fusco of York, H. C. Stoppe and Sister Bessie Hamburg. Later a revival started by Brother Lyons of Virginia.

Pray for our church as we need God's help as our pastor, Brother A. R. Martin, is planning now for us to have a new church in the very near future. There are several requests for prayer and healing.—J. William Lutz, 30 N. Church St.

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For more than a year I have been impressed to go to the Jellico district. At the last Assembly I was sent to take the district as overseer. I had heard many things about the work over there, but now I know more about it. I have eight churches and have been to see every one of them. We haven't got all real good Church of God folks, but we have some as good Church of God folks as you will find anywhere. They are loyal in every

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Sunday, February 4

"Love covereth"

Read Prov. 10:12.

"I found myself one midnight wholly sleepless as the surges of a cruel injustice swept over me, and love which covereth seemed to have crept out of my heart, then I cried to God in an agony for the power to obey His injunction, Love covereth. Immediately the Spirit began to work in me the power that brought about forgetfulness. Gently I dug a grave, deliberately I threw up the earth until the excavation was deep, sorrowfully I lowered into it the thing which had wounded me, and quickly I shoveled in the clods, over the mound I carefully laid the green sod, then I covered it with white roses and forget-me-nots and quickly walked away. Sweet sleep came and the wound which had been so nearly deadly was healed without a scar."—*Streams in the Desert.*

Monday, February 5

"Fellowship of His Son."

Read 1 Cor. 1:9.

Without faith it is impossible to please God. Without faith it is impossible to have fellowship with His Son, but with a simple trust in Him our fellowship may be complete in Him.

"Dost thou fear to launch away?

Faith lets go to swim.

Never will He let thee go;

'Tis by trusting thou shalt know

Fellowship with Him.

Tuesday, February 6

"Like as of fire."

Read Acts 2:1-4.

My grandfather was hunting several miles away from his home. The woods was very rough, the grass high. He decided it would be best to burn it off. The wind was high. Two days later it took every one of the farm hands working hard to try to put it out for it had swept for several miles across the country. It is in such a way that the Spirit of God catches from heart to heart where the material is ready. The Holy Spirit travels like fire.

Wednesday, February 7

"Consider the lilies."

Read Matt. 6:28.

The story is told of an ancient monk who planted an olive sapling. He prayed that the Lord would send rain, the Lord did it, so that the roots had water to drink. He prayed again that the Lord might send sunshine upon it, and the sun shined, gilding the dripping clouds. He then prayed for frost to brace its tissues and, behold, the tree stood sparkling with frost, but at evening the tree died. He told his experience to a fellow monk, who replied, "I, too, planted a tree. It thrives well. I intrust my tree to its God. He knows better what it needs than I. I lay no condition, fix no means for Him to bless it."

Thursday, February 8

"The wind was contrary."

Read Matt. 14:24.

I was making a trip with a young man in his sailboat. We had sailed for two or three hours away from the little village in which the young man lived, and the wind was fair so that we made a considerable distance, and then thoughts came, "How shall we return in a sailboat against the wind?" In a little while my fears were allayed. The young man turned the boat, drew the sail up tight, then with the helm held his ship quartering against the wind. We did not go as fast on our return but we made progress against the wind. So it is with the child of God. He can turn an adverse wind into an instrument of progress, if his sail is set right.

Friday, February 9

"Looking unto Jesus."

Read Heb. 12:2.

"Keep looking up—

The waves that roar around thy feet,

Jehovah-Jireh will defeat

When looking up.

"Keep looking up—

Though darkness seems to wrap your soul;

The Light of light shall fill thy soul

When looking up.

"Keep looking up—

When worn, distracted with the fight;

Your Captain gives you conquering might

When you look up.

We can never see the sun rise by looking into the west.—*Japanese Proverb.*

Saturday, February 10

"Furnace of affliction."

Read Isa. 48:10.

The refiner gazed into the melting pot
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Question Box

Question: Did Nimrod have a wife? If so, who was she? Give scripture for answer.—E. A.

Answer: It is very probable that Nimrod had a wife but there is no scriptural reference concerning her.

Question: Please explain the advantage for the Church of God in not procuring a charter. Is it against the teaching of the Bible in any way?—C. E. G.

Answer: The Church of God does not teach that it is against the Bible to charter but in the early days of the organization a committee was appointed to investigate and determine as to whether it would be best to charter. It seemed good to the committee and to that Assembly to which the committee reported not to charter as they felt that it would place limitations upon the Church.

Question: Will you please explain 1 Cor. 7:14, especially the last clause, "else were your children unclean; but now are they holy."—W. G. W.

Answer: In those days there were many who did not believe in Christianity at all, and Paul's admonition to those who had accepted Christ was, not to put away a companion simply because he didn't know about or understand Christianity but by living with him and showing him the way of holiness that he might be sanctified and brought into the fold. Inasmuch as sanctification brings unity, the unity of the husband and wife, bringing about a Christian home, would help in bringing the children up in the way of holiness, otherwise a separation might cause the children to never find God.

Question: Eph. 4:5, "One Lord, one faith, one baptism." Is this baptism the baptism of water?—S. C. E.

Answer: This baptism may mean the baptism with water; it may mean the baptism with the Holy Ghost, or it may mean any other baptism. It makes no difference which one, there is only one baptism for the Jew and the Gentile alike and not a different mode for the Jew and a different one for the Gentile.

Question: Please explain Rom. 3:7.—E. W. H.

Answer: "For if the truth of God hath more abounded through my lie unto his glory; why yet am I also judged as a sinner?" The doctrine as taught by the Apostle Paul had been branded by the Jews as a lie. Paul did not acknowledge it as a lie, but merely said, If the truth God hath abounded through that which
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Foreign Missions

ZENO C. THARP, Secretary of Mission Board



Evening Light Tabernacle, Hamilton, East Bermuda

Ten Filled With the Holy Ghost in Revival

The "Evening Light Tabernacle" is in the parish of Pembroke, East Bermuda. We have just had a week's meeting here in which God surely blessed in a special way. There were ten filled with the Holy Ghost and four have received Him since, which makes fourteen who have received the Holy Ghost here at this church. There was a time when they knew nothing about it but now God has given them the blessing. We were at their service last night (Thursday night) and find that some one of them is praying through every time they have service. Well, glory to God! Mother Emily and Geraldine Thomas are the founders of the Evening Light Tabernacle. God spoke to them in 1935 and told them to build the building and God gave them the money to do it and He has blessed their work. At the present Elder Harold Thomas is their pastor. He is a fine young man and God is using him. All pray for this work that God will have His way with them. The pastor, ministers and members of the church here are working one hundred per cent with our missionaries here in Bermuda.

You will notice this is a beautiful little church that will seat about 200 people, and that it is well built. Just at the right you will see some stones. These are the stones that our Bermuda houses and buildings are built of. We get them out of the Bermuda hills. They are sawed

out of the hills just as you see them. They are all white stone. The buildings are all white and very beautiful; the white tops of the buildings make it possible for us to have good, clean fresh water at all times as we get our water from the sky. God is very good to Bermuda.—Yours for God and His Church, Mr. and Mrs. Carl J. Hughes, Gen. Del., Hamilton, Bermuda.

Still Going Forward in Barbados, B. W. I.

Dear Evangel family: I am glad again to be able to send in a report and say that we are still going forward in Jesus' name. God has surely blessed us in many ways during 1939 and we had good Christmas and old year services. We are looking forward to 1940 being a year of great things for God and His kingdom.

As a result of the revivals that were held throughout the island during the latter part of the year, we were able to have, on January 7, the largest baptismal service of any for a very long time, when sixty-nine followed their Lord in water baptism. To God be all the glory.

Then the quarterly meeting was most inspiring, and proved a great uplift to the saints from the many stations in the Island. We had the largest crowd that I have ever seen at the Eckstein church. The praise service was wonderful, followed by earnest prayer in which the whole congregation so heartily joined.

The reports were all encouraging. A very helpful and inspiring address was given by Elder Lewis, after which the writer suggested that we sing very prayerfully that heart-moving hymn, "Humble Thyself to Walk With God." This was followed by the whole church making the whole building an altar for reconsecration, and as the great audience poured out their hearts to God in united prayer, the presence of God was felt in mighty power. Following this we had a very blessed Workers' Conference, when there seemed to be a very earnest desire for greater unity, fellowship, and whole-hearted Christian cooperation as a church this new year. Dear ones, pray much for your brothers and sisters, and the work of our great Church here in Barbados.—His and yours for the Master, J. B. Winter, Assistant Overseer.

We Had a Wonderful Time

Dear saints of God everywhere: I am well and still abiding in the promises of the Lord, the One who maketh rich and addeth no sorrow, and for the grace of God that bringeth salvation to all men and gave us a wonderful teaching, teaching us the real detrimental things that would be a blithe to our souls.

I am also glad to report to you our quarterly meeting of the Church of God which took place the 7th of January. We had a wonderful, glorious time. God was with us. We had sixty-nine for baptism. The Church of God is growing rapidly. There are eighteen stations, so I beg you one and all to pray for us. In these last days there are much trials but there is victory in the blood.

I close with love for you and the Church.—In the Master's service, J. H. Marshall, Eckstein Village, St. Michael, Barbados.

ROCK HALL, St. Andrews, Barbados, B. W. I.—Greetings to the bishops, elders, pastors, deacons, workers and coworkers, brothers and sisters, greetings in the name of Jesus our Lord and Savior, who gave His life on the cross of Calvary, that we who were far from God can be made nigh. Praise His precious name! I am glad to report to you this morning that I am still found saved and preserved by Jesus. I have a desire to go forward with Him and I thank Him for His kind protection during the year that has just passed, and

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LEAVES FROM THE FIG TREE

An Interpretation of Current Events in the Light of Holy Prophecy

"Now, learn a parable of the fig tree: when his branch is yet tender and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh," Matt. 24:32.

By JUDGE SULLIVAN

For the past several years TIME magazine has allowed the reading public to select from among the outstanding personalities of the year one man to be known as the man of the year. The most outstanding personality of 1938 was Adolf Hitler, Dictator of Germany. TIME did not put his picture on the front page but placed instead a picture depicting hatred. For the year 1939 Josef Stalin, Dictator of Russia, was selected. His picture disgraced the cover of TIME. The time is ripe for the superman, whom the world is looking for, to step on the scene. His fore-runners are taking commanding places in the world today. There is a reason for Hitler, Stalin and the other dictators acting as they do. The reason is this: "For God hath put in their hearts to fulfill his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the works of God be fulfilled" (Rev. 17:17).

In St. John 9:4 Jesus said, "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: THE NIGHT COMETH, WHEN NO MAN CAN WORK." It is well to remember that between light and darkness there is a period known as TWILIGHT. During that period it is still light but the shadows of night are approaching and the darkness is near. If spiritual men and women can see anything at all they can see the approaching shadows of night. The "perilous" times the world is now enduring are signs of the approaching night. Let God's people see to it that they have light. Let them make sure their supply of oil shall not fail them now. "THE NIGHT COMETH!"

The newspapers of January 18 and 19 brought news of another earthquake in Turkey where three weeks previously many thousands of people lost their lives in another quaking of Mother Earth. Fifty were killed and 160 injured. I mention the frequency of these quakes because they were specifically referred to by the Son of God. Every time the earth quivers under the hand of God it is as the voice of God saying, "PREPARE TO MEET THY GOD! I AM COMING SOON!"

MORE ABOUT THE JEWS: A dispatch from Berlin, Germany, dated January 14, follows: "Two years of compul-

sory labor was ordered today for all Jews between the ages of 14 and 60, in the German-ruled section of Poland. The order, issued by the police and military authorities in the name of Governor General Hans Frank, said the time would be prolonged if the instructive object of the service is not attained in the two-year period. Jews were ordered to appear at specified meeting places with tools or hand machinery, if they owned any, and food supplies for two days. All were forbidden to dispose of their tools in any way. In addition, all Jews and Poles in Krakow, Poland's ancient capital, were ordered to surrender all radio sets and equipment by tomorrow." All this, of course, driving the Jews to humiliation and abject surrender of their spirit and morale. The Jews are scheduled to later make an agreement, or rather, confirm an agreement already made, to dwell in their homeland under the protection of the Antichrist. These persecutions are calculated to make the Jew ready to submit to the iron heel of the coming WORLD DICTATOR or Antichrist. THE SPIRIT OF ANTICHRIST IS ON THE FORWARD MARCH.

During the first week in January the Mutual Broadcasting Company announced that "ONE OF THE LARGEST ARMIES IN THE MODERN HISTORY OF THE JEWISH RACE IS BEING RECRUITED AND TRAINED TO TAKE ITS PLACE ON THE WESTERN FRONT FOR THE EXPECTED ASSAULT BY GERMANY IN THE SPRING. Known as THE LEGIONS OF JUDEA, the army already has 25,000 men in training at Aldershot, England, and another 10,000 training in France. A third unit of Jewish soldiers is being formed at Montreal, and is expected to number 15,000 during the next month, thus bringing the total to 50,000." Let no one think that the sons of Abraham cannot fight. The military exploits of Joshua and other Jewish leaders are proof of the fact that God's chosen people can and will fight. To say the least, this helps add up to Paul's prophecy of "PERILOUS TIMES."

Much has been said and is being said about "good neighbors." This applies to

governments as well as individuals. Webster defines the word "neighborly" as meaning, among other things, "social, civil, friendly." During the last presidential campaign the so-called Good Neighbor League functioned. They spread nothing but hatred and created malice of class against class. Countries lying adjacent one to another view their neighbors with hostility. What can be said of nations is almost equally true of individuals and families. Why all the lack of confidence? Why all the suspicion and unfriendly attitude one toward another? Paul clearly saw this day and said of the people that they would be "truce breakers—traitors."

Our country is cursed today with a so-called "Christian Front." This is a group of zealots, the leaders insincere, dogmatic would-be bosses, preying on the minds of innocent, sometimes sincere, patriots. The government arrested seventeen of them a few days ago for conspiracy to kill all the Jews, overthrow the government, establish a dictatorship, etc. They went into jail screaming, "Long live Christ, the King." Yet, they had an arsenal, bombs, guns, pistols, plots and plans to murder and destroy. America can well afford, in these evil days, to do without the Father Coughlins and others who are spreading the doctrine of hatred among the people. A real Christian is not anti-Jew nor anti-anything but sin and the devil. Just another of the legion of ills that afflict America and the world today. These all point to distress, unrest, sadness and lack of confidence. They, in turn, point to the soon coming of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Look about the world today. How many wars have been waged and are being waged in the past five years? Let us see: Italy waged war against and conquered Ethiopia; Italy waged war against and conquered Albania; Germany captured Austria; Germany captured Czechoslovakia; Germany captured about half of Poland; Russia took over over Estonia; Russia took over Lithuania; Russia took over Latvia; Russia trying to take Finland now may be counted war No. 1. Sweden and Norway may be fighting by Finland's side by the time (Continued on page 16)

AT THE CHURCH OF GOD PUBLISHING HOUSE



From the Linotype machines material which has been thus set up, comes to the compositor's table to be assembled and made up ready for the presses. The compositor occupies one of the more important places in the print shop. It is his responsibility to make up the pages of our different periodicals as well as all job work that is put out. He has to have a knowledge sufficient to enable him to display words, so as to make them mean what they should, and to place articles in their proper places. After corrections of proofs have been made by the Linotype operators of the work they have set up, these corrections have to be put in by the compositor who reads his type backwards, slides out the slugs that are wrong and slips in the corrected ones. Such headlines and other display work which is too large for the Linotype machines, has to be set up by the compositor by hand. All of this goes to help make the paper more attractive.

The man nearest you in the picture is Lee Bell, who has been the compositor at the Publishing House for several years.

Your Compositors

Brother Bell has been with the Church of God Publishing House for about five years. He served as a printer with several large newspapers in Key West, Florida, Miami, Florida, and elsewhere before coming to the Church of God Publishing House. He has for many years had the baptism of the Holy Ghost and been a member of the Church of God. Brother Bell still helps at the compositor's table, but in addition is now the shop foreman of the Publishing House.

The man farthest back is Joe R. Little, who came to the Church of God Publishing House fifteen years ago. He is a native of Texas. For several years he has been a pressman. He has been doing some composition work all along and now, since the promotion of Brother Bell to foreman, Brother Little takes quite a bit of the compositor's work. He received the baptism of the Holy Ghost over eighteen years ago while in the state of Mississippi, and attended the

Bible School in Cleveland before taking a position in the Church of God Publishing House. He, of course, as are the other hands, is a member of the Church of God, and has for several years been a preacher, having pastored several of the smaller churches around Cleveland.

These men are glad to have a part in the assembling and preparation of your testimonies, articles, and other matters of information that are dispensed from this your Publishing House.

Helped Me Through Many Trials

LANNIUS, Tex.—I praise the Lord for His goodness and mercy to me. I thank Him for the many good blessings and His wonderful healing power. He has helped me through many trials and temptations and has touched my body many times. He has healed my little girl's body.

Please pray that I will have sufficient faith to trust Him for my body. I know He is able to heal all manner of sickness. Pray for me that I will ever be found doing the Lord's will.—Mrs. Marie Roberts.



Recently we had an article in the Evangel telling about Christmas at the orphans' homes. We thought that since on that night the photographer was present and took a picture of the girls as the gifts were to be distributed to them, that you would like to have a peep into the music room where the Christmas tree was located. In the above you have the privilege of seeing the girls, the matrons, and some of the general officials of the Church as they were assembled on Christmas Eve night. Miss Genia Wiley of Atlanta, Georgia, is the matron of the girls' home and appears in the picture second from the right.

Notes of Praise

We Must Pray and Not Faint

N. WILKESBORO, N. C.—We praise the Lord for the way He is blessing the church work here. It seems the good Holy Ghost is present in every service. We appreciate the good people here. We found some true blue Church of God people here at this place. Of course, when you get in touch with real Church of God people, by the help of the Lord you can do things. Our people here believe in paying tithes and standing by their pastor.

We just closed a two weeks' meeting here with hungry souls in the altar every night seeking God. I noticed as many as twenty young boys and girls in the altar at one service. Some of the members here told us that was the greatest interest they had ever seen the young people take in the church at this place.

We also praise the Lord for the good Thanksgiving service we enjoyed. Many of the saints said that service reminded them of the old-fashioned meetings they used to have, but we are happy to note that God is the same. We may change but God does not; He is more than willing to bless us if we will humble ourselves to Him. I know in this evil day of great deception the devil is doing his work of sifting the saints, but we must pray and not faint. Some of our people become discouraged at times and give up when the battle gets hot but then is the time to hold on to God's great hand. Amen.

I believe the Church of God is going over the top one hundred per cent with everything it undertakes for the glory of God. Of course, we folks here at North Wilkesboro are just a little part

of the Church but we expect to be on the map. Anything less than one hundred per cent just won't do for us. You who read this, please pray for our success.—C. P. Galloway, Box 401.

TURKS and CAICOS ISLANDS, B. W. I.—I am very thankful of what has been done in the Assembly. As I read of the great men through the Evangel who are undertaking and preparing the work of God to a finish, I am encouraged; and as I read of the great unity that exists in the Church of God that makes me feel determined to do more in this field where I was appointed to labor till Jesus comes or sends me the final call.

As I look back over our work and see the progress we have made I find that it is worth while noticing. We have built the work in Kew, which had gone down. After much volunteering and praying God has raised it to a pretty good standard. The Sunday School now has three classes and they are named and have their teachers. Blue Hills Sunday School is the

name.

I will soon be taking Whitby in hand and Bottle Creek also. We need a church building at the capital of Grand Turk which will be a great encouragement to our islands and we have only America to depend on and she has so much to do. We may have to remain under a poverty-stricken condition, but with all of that, regardless of the hardships, my greatest desire is to stand for the Church of God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

We have six licensed evangelists, one licensed deacon, four exhorters, and one bishop. We have a Young People's Endeavor organized and four church lots deeded and recorded, two finished buildings on two lots and one building on one rented lot, and by the help of the people of God we will do more this year than ever before.

I ask the dear people of God who have sent us clothes to please not forget us. A sister of Bermuda and a brother named Abraham Bean and Auly Bean sent us two barrels and two boxes of clothes shipped via Jamaica (Kingston) and it got lost. Since that she has sent two parcels and I got those safely and they did lots of good. So you see after that loss she was still encouraged to send more.

Please pray for the Bermuda saints who contributed that help to us and that they will not be discouraged. I miss lots of my help since the war. I don't know what is the trouble, whether different arrangements have been made or not, but I trust God for all things and I put all in His hand. I read in the Evangel where one of our field representatives is now appointed in five states in America and I know it is because of the danger of traveling by sea, but, thank God, for his good encouraging work to us and all I read about. Please pray for us to remain bold and harmless as doves and always be obedient to those who have the rule over us; they watch for our souls. May God bless every one.—A. W. Rigby, overseer of Turks Island, B. W. I.

BALTIMORE, Md. — My little boy three years old fell over my back porch on a cement paved yard about twelve feet below. I felt my weakness and smallness but I raised my eyes to heaven and said, "Jesus." He knew and understood what that meant. I laid the boy on the bed and prayed. God miraculously touched him and he fell asleep. I know God healed him for he was better when he awoke. He had struck his forehead and between his eyes a bump rose the size of a hen egg. He still has a scar and that was about a month ago.

I believe God's hand is over us to keep us from the power of Satan. His power is great but God's power is omnipotent. Praise His name. I want to trust Him to the end. He has been so good to me and

I know He will not fail me in the valley of the shadow of death. Please pray for me to stand true till Jesus comes.—Sister C. Green, 2903 Walbrook Ave.

PRINCETON, N. C.—I am so happy this morning that Jesus is mine and that I am a member of the Church of God. I wrote you a letter to pray that I might receive the Holy Ghost and that night down in Atlanta at the 34th Annual Assembly of the Church of God when Preacher Jones said, "There is not any reason why five hundred should not receive the Holy Ghost here tonight," I went up, and oh, what a time we did have! I received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Praise the Lord.

Since my return home I took very sick with something like flu or pneumonia. I prayed and the Lord healed. I was very weak and stayed in bed only two days. Another night my husband woke up with a terrible sick headache (which he has sometimes) and I prayed and the Lord healed again. He went off to sleep and was able to go to his work the next day. Thank the Lord. Pray for me to be faithful and true and be a light to the people here.

When I decided to try to go to Atlanta I had been having neuritis in my shoulders; have been in the hospital in times past, so I could not move. Well, I asked the Lord to take that out so I could work to make some money to go to the Assembly and He did. I can move, turn over in bed and have not hurt since some time in the summer, and I could keep telling you all the good things the Lord has done for me. I humbly thank the Lord and all of you who have prayed for me. May I be worthy of such great blessings is my prayer.—Mrs. Bradley N. Hinton, Rt. 2.

MT. AIRY, N. C.—I thank and praise God for His goodness and mercy to me, for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the precious Holy Ghost and keeping me in spite of temptations and hardships. Although I'm still afflicted in body, I'm praying for healing if it is His will.

Thank God for sending Brother and Sister McDaniel here this year. The members like them and all are trying to work together. Help us pray that we will have a better year this year than ever before, that lost souls will be saved.—Mrs. Katy Farmer, R. F. D. 2.

ARGYLE, Ga.—Thank God for the sweet Holy Ghost which comforts us when in trouble and real sickness. Thank God for His Son Jesus who took those stripes for our healing. A few days ago our baby took real sick with something like pneumonia fever. I began praying and asking the Lord what I could do. He

said, "Trust me." We sent for the pastor and his wife and some more saints to come and pray and our baby got healed. Thank God! God has healed in our home a number of times.

Please pray for us to be always found doing the things God would have us to do and that we will be ready to go in the rapture.—Mrs. C. G. Coggins.

COLUMBIA, Ky.—I praise God because He means everything to me; I praise Him for the dear Church of God. Our church is small and this is such a hard place. We need everyone to pray for the work here that it will grow and more will be done for the Lord. Pray for our pastor, Brother Geo. L. Cravens. He really stands for the Church of God and I believe he will try to do all he can to build up the work.

We have just started a Y. P. E.; had our first program last night. We have also started a Willing Workers Band. This work is entirely new to the saints here, so please help us by your prayers. Oh, I do want to see the Church go over the top for God. Praise the Lord.

I also request prayer for Brother John Tucker, who is sick. He is only saved so he needs prayer for both soul and body. Brother Rouse, if you see this, please pray for him. Pray for our family that we might always be true to the Lord and His cause.—Mae Tucker.

TITUS, Ga.—I praise God for the Holy Ghost. It was a year ago Christmas since I received the blessing, and I am glad, too, of being a member of the Church of God. Praise the Lord.

We, as Church of God people, should come together in one mind and in one accord and live clean lives to show this world where we stand. We praise God for our pastor, Brother Luther Burchett. We want to try to put our church over the top. Pray for us.—Sister Etna Burrell.

It Pays to Trust the Lord

MORGANTON, Ga.—I praise God for His love and goodness to me. I thank Him for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost and for His wonderful healing power. He has healed in my home at different times, for which I praise Him.

In November I was real sick with my head and throat. My little granddaughter was sick also. I was trusting God for our healing. Praise God, He did not forsake me but fulfilled His promise. One night at the family altar, which I erected six years ago, I knelt and began praying as best I could as there was no one there to help me pray and I was very sick. I laid the Evangel on my head and the power of God began to fall. Glory to God, He raised me from the floor and filled me with joy unspeakable and full of glory.

We both got better from then. Today I am in better health than I have been for years. It pays to trust God although we have to walk by faith sometimes.

Pray for my home. Pray that the Lord will deliver my husband from his sinful habits.—Mrs. Nora Hunter, Rt. 1, Box 40.

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WARRIOR, Ala.—Dear Evangel readers: I read the Evangel weekly and it is food to my soul. I praise God for the experience of old time salvation and because I belong to the great Church of God. On Nov. 6, 1939 I had had this experience thirty years and I am not tired of serving the dear Lord; He means so much to me.

I have a very special request. Please pray for my sister who has been sick four years. I have trusted God for thirty years and I know He can heal. Pray for me. I want to be one hundred per cent for God and the Church of God. My desire is to please Him in all things, for the end is getting near. Sinners, get ready to meet the Lord. Jesus is soon coming.—Mrs. Fannie Childers, Rt. 1.

Still Heals

YAKIMA, Wash.—Praise God that through His love and mercy I am still saved, sanctified and the Holy Ghost abides in my heart. Nine years ago Dec. 4, Brother W. V. Johnson set the church in order at Shady Grove near Rose Bud, Ark. Nine of us joined. We had a blessed time. Brother Johnson instructed us on the teachings of the Church. How we loved the Church and were so happy to be worthy to be a member. My soul is made to rejoice when I think how God led us through trials and persecutions, His grace was always sufficient.

On the 15th of the following February I went to the Church of God at Higden with Brother and Sister L. L. Milan and God wonderfully baptized me with the Holy Ghost. I'll always love the dear saints at Higden and that little old church house where the Lord blessed my soul so wonderfully. God has so wonderfully healed in our family many times. All the saints have moved away from Shady Grove church now, only one dear sister, Sister Hannah Atterberry. My prayer is for God to bless her and give her courage to stand true.

We have been in Washington over two years. I don't get to go to church very often as it is twenty-two miles to church and I haven't any way to go only with someone else. We surely love our pastor and his wife and three sweet little girls, Brother and Sister Alex Duncan, at the Wapato church. They are wonderful people and have surely been a blessing to the church there. Pray for me that God will bless me and help me to be a light in this world of sin. There is only I and one

more Church of God member, Sister Vera Lester, in this community. Pray that if it is God's will for us to stay here, for some way to be made that we can go to church where our hungry souls can be fed oftener. I don't want to complain or grumble for I know God's Word teaches us to be contented with what we have and it also says in every thing give thanks. I'm so glad God knows the desire of my heart is to serve Him to the end.

Pray for me for I am in need of a healing touch from God as I have kidney trouble and other afflictions which Jesus knows all about. I'm so glad to know He promised in His blessed Word to never suffer us to be tempted above that which we're able and to know He said He would supply all our needs according to His riches in glory. I often think of the dear people at the Mobeetie, Tex. Church of God. I learned to love them very dearly the short time we lived there. If Sister May Merrell or Sister Scribner reads this, please drop me a card and let us hear from you.—Mrs. Ruth Lester, Rt. 5.

Still Love the Church of God

DOUBLE SPRINGS, Ala.—I praise God for salvation. I still love the good old Church of God. I don't get to be in services much. I thank everyone who sent me the dear old Evangel, and may the Lord bless you. I have read them and passed several of them on to others.

I am still trusting Him for my healing. Some time ago I took a hurting in my shoulder and it hurt me so badly for three days and nights until I could hardly keep from crying, and the third day I got so nervous I could hardly sit in my chair or could hardly lie down. As I knelt to pray one night the power of God got on me and my body was eased. I really got a blessing that night and give God all the praise for it. My arm has not hurt me any more. He has eased my body so many times.

Please pray that God will completely heal my body and that I will stay in His will regardless of what it might be. I meet with trials and temptations almost every day but I can truly say I know my dear Savior is able to carry me through. Pray for my unsaved companion and four daughters who are in sin. Pray for our little church at Sipsey Bend, also our dear pastor and his sweet wife and baby, that they may let their lights shine for Jesus and be a blessing to our little Church of God this year. May God bless every one.—Mrs. Martha Sutherland, Rt. 1.

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URBANA, Ill.—I praise the Lord for healing my eyes. I wrote to Sister Ellis at Rich Hill, Mo., and had her to anoint a cloth. I held on to the Lord until He healed my eyes through her prayer. Praise

the Lord.—George R. Coleman, Rt. 3.

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O'BRIEN, Fla.—I thank God for victory through Jesus. I praise the Lord for healing my husband. He was very sick with leakage of the heart and it looked like he would die. There was no one to call to pray for him so I called on the Lord myself and the Lord heard my prayer and eased him and he went to sleep.

I praise the Lord for healing me the other night. I almost died. I got the saints to pray for me and thank God, He healed me. I desire your prayers for me that I will stay humble and do the Lord's will.

Pray for my boy to be healed; he can't walk.—Mrs. Mamie Chance, Rt. 1.

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GIRDLER, Ky.—I praise the Lord for the good Church of God and the Evangel. I praise Him for our dearly beloved General Overseer, who has helped to make the Church of God what it is today. Also our Editor and Publisher, who is surely improving the Evangel and making each copy more interesting, especially the editorials and question box.

I am an old time preacher and will consider calls for revivals.—Faithfully, Evangelist Waldon Asher.

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YORK, S. C.—I praise the Lord because I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I have been in two car wrecks and the Lord healed me both times, and the last wreck was a bad one. I stayed in the hospital one week. I trusted the Lord and He healed my body and I give Him the praise.

I have five children, two of them are living for the Lord. My son's two daughters are also living for the Lord. Pray that he will receive the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. Ella Clark, 109 New St.

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SCHOOLFIELD, Va.—Praise God for what He means to me and my family. He has touched and healed in my home. Praise Him for our pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister E. O. Sells. They have fixed the parsonage up and worked hard; they are real people of God.—Mrs. H. W. Beggerly.

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PINSON, Ala.—Praise God for saving, sanctifying, filling me with the Holy Ghost and putting me in the great Church of God. I want to live for Him every day. I am only eleven years old, but I want to give Him all of my life. I want to help bring souls to God. Pray that I can be a worker for Jesus in some way. We are building a new church at Massy Line; pray for the Lord to bless in every way. We love our pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister Claud Dunnivant. They have been with us ever since the church has been set in order.—Bill Dollars, Star Route.

Seven Great Christian Principles Which Are Neglected

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"eyesalve" would help. You know "molehills" look like mountains to some.

Give the other fellow the advantage of the doubt. Discount 50% of what seems to us to be faults in the other fellow, and book it to our own account. If we all could just think, and remember, that "our own faults" are standing out in the view of others like Washington's monument, we would be a little slower to criticize others for their faults. The biggest "fault finder" is always the one who has the MOST faults. The parent who talks and acts like your children are little devils and theirs are little angels, needs some eyesalve. Oh, to see our own faults as clearly as the faults of others is a great Christian principle indeed.

5. WILLINGNESS, TO CONFESS OUR FAULTS. Man, man, that is a great one. "Confess your faults one to another." Jas. 5:16. I suppose the Bible means what it says in the above verse. That is a plain statement or commandment. Some people will not deny their faults, but are too stubborn to confess them. I guess it would be possible to go to the extreme with confessing faults, but in all of my life I have never known of it being done. It is said, and I believe it, that the hardest words in the English language to say are, "I am wrong," or, "I did wrong." But they can be said, and we are practicing a great Christian principle when we willingly confess our faults. Some people will confess only after they are caught. I am a firm believer in holiness. We must, and we do live above willful sin. To go to heaven, we must live the "overcomer's life," and that is Bible holiness. God forbid that any of the holiness people should assume an attitude that they are "more holy than thou," and that they absolutely are living above every fault and mistake, and that they would be ruined forever if they had to admit that they had made a mistake. The true Christian will never, in this world, be perfect in the sight of the people, nor in his own estimation, but he can be perfect in God's sight.

6. THE BLESSEDNESS OF GIVING. "And to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to GIVE than to RECEIVE." Acts 20:35. Some people know about this blessedness and others do not know. Some of us give offerings and pay our tithes, when we would feel better if that much was coming our way. Or in other words, we get more blessing out of receiving than we do out of giving. "So let him give, not grudgingly, or of necessity, for God loves a CHEERFUL giver." This means that when you give an offering, or do some

work for the church, or pay your tithes, or do some neighborly deed for some one, you are not to wrinkle up your face and complain and growl about it; neither are you to keep on talking about what great sacrifices you have made for the church; neither are you to brag and boast about what you have done, and make people believe that you just wanted to be praised and looked up to and given the leadership in the church just because you had done more in the church than some others. We have only done OUR PART when we have done OUR BEST. If somebody else's BEST is fewer dollars than our BEST, it is just as great in God's sight as our big BEST. We must count it a happy, joyful, cheerful, delightful privilege to do right,—giving, paying tithes, helping in the church work, serving and sacrificing.

7. Last but not least, GAINING MORE KNOWLEDGE. "Study to shew thyself approved unto God." 2 Tim. 2:15. Teachers are given for the perfecting of the saints. Eph. 4:12. "Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom; and with all thy getting get UNDERSTANDING." Prov. 4:7. And yet, after the Bible and other good books and Evangelists and helpful literature have been placed right at our fingertips, just for a few pennies, some of our people will allow Satan to make them feel safe and content without knowing the A B C's of Christianity. And mark, this, my brother, the only way the Holy Ghost can lead us into all truth is for us to read and study the WORD OF TRUTH. Work, dig, seek, apply ourselves and help ourselves the best we can. Go to Bible School if we can. If we can't, then take one of those good Correspondence Courses. Read the New Testament through first. Then read the Old Testament through. Read and reread. Memorize all the most important passages that you can. If your eyes are weak, you can get a Bible with large print. If you can't read, get your children or somebody to read some of the Bible to you every day. If you don't care much about the Bible and the knowledge of God, then get on your knees and pray through to the victory of salvation and then you will CARE, then you will wake up and get busy. When we know more, we can do more for God.

NOTICES

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ing here.—Brother J. C. Cox, Gen. Del., Zephyrhills, Fla.

Dear saints, pray that God will give us great victory in our revival. Brother J. L. Nuzum is our evangelist. He is surely giving us the gospel in the old time way. Our revival started Jan. 14. God is blessing; many are at the altar. Pray for us.—

A. N. Jackson, pastor, Clarksville, Pa.

We are now in a revival at Somerset, Pa. We have had subzero weather but some have prayed through and it looks like an old time revival is about to break through. Pray that God will give us success here.—R. C. Muncy, evangelist, Harold Phillips, coworker, Somerset, Pa.

To whom it may concern: My address is changed from Box 656, Maud, Okla. to Box 164, Lawton, Okla.—S. J. Wood, overseer of Oklahoma and Kansas.

Radio station WMSL, 1370 Kc. has increased her power and can be heard in parts of Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee and Mississippi, and the Church of God has a program every day—Monday through Saturday at 4:30 and on Sunday at 8:45 a. m. Please announce this in your church. I am giving a nice present to the one who writes me the farthest away, provided he makes mention of something he hears me say in that program. This will last until Feb. 20, so please listen and be sure to write us.—A. H. Batts, c/o WMSL, Decatur, Ala.

We are in a revival at Kettle Island, Ky. Please pray that it will be a success.—Levi Herndon, Kettle Island, Ky.

To whom it may concern: I have resigned my position as clerk at Little River Church of God.—Walter Wilhite, Kennett, Mo.

To the pastors and district pastors who want a revival: We are still in the evangelistic work wanting to get in meetings just as soon as possible. We are planning on going to B. T. S. next year. If you can help us, we are willing to go anywhere. Write us. Our address is Rt. 1, Blue Ridge, Ga.—Homer Y. Miolen.

I would appreciate it if someone knowing the address of Elder C. A. Johnson would please send same to me.—M. D. McGee (colored), Rt. 1, Box 146, Braxton, Miss.

Wonderful Revival Held

KATHLEEN, Fla.—We have been in the Lord's service, the ministry, about three years. We are pastoring the church here this year. We have just closed a two weeks' revival. God was wonderfully in our midst. There were three sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, one baptized in water and one added to the church. Praise God for victory. Our membership isn't large but we have some real true blue children of God here and God is in our midst. Pray for the little church here.—Burta Bennett.

Reports Good Revival

LUBBOCK, Tex.—R. M. Nolen reports a good meeting at Lubbock, Tex. with Sister Larkin Taylor as evangelist. Six were saved, three sanctified, two filled with the Holy Ghost, one added to the church, and others are planning to come. The meeting closed with communion service which was enjoyed by the saints very much.

REQUESTS

"With thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." Phil. 4:6.

PRAY FOR:

The healing of my body; me to receive the Holy Ghost.—Brother Henry, Blythe, Calif.

Thanks to everyone who sent anointed cloths and encouraging letters to my aunt, Miss Maggie Bell, in her suffering. Now she has gone to be with Him. Pray for her old father that God will comfort him and fill him with the Holy Ghost; me to stand true.—Mrs. Sallie Kelley, Rt. 2, Walhalla, S. C.

Me to be healed of nervous spells and other troubles; me to get closer to the Lord and do His will; my mother to be healed; my dad, brothers and other loved ones to be saved; our church.—Gladys Chase, Dudley, Mo.

Me to be healed of indigestion.—Earnest Goodman, Thomasville, Ala.

My son who is in the Western State Hospital to be healed; my stepson in the Baptist Hospital at Memphis to be healed; the Lord to send an evangelist to Union City, Tenn.—Mrs. Emily Warix, Rt. 2, Union City, Tenn.

A friend to get sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost; two unspoken requests; me to do His will.—H. E. C., Elkin, N. C.

My husband; me to ever be ready.—Plummer Brownlow, Double Springs, Ala.

God to heal my body. I can't get well unless the Lord heals me. I want saints who have trusted God through severe sickness to write me and encourage me; me to get stronger in Jesus.—Effie Matt, Dustin, Okla.

The healing of my body. — Velma Crocker, Shaw, Miss.

The healing of my body of heart trouble and low blood pressure; unspoken request. Anointed cloth appreciated.—Mrs. Paul Aldridge, Rt. 1, Danville, Ala.

Me to be healed of kidney trouble; my eyes to be healed. Anointed cloth appreciated.—Ida Gainey, Moniac, Ga.

Our little baby who was badly burned to be healed. Please pray a special prayer for him.—Brother and Sister J. D. Cole, 2708 Norwich St., Brunswick, Ga.

My husband to grow stronger in the Lord; our unsaved children. Brother Austin Hewett and wife, please pray for our unsaved children and write us sometimes.—Mrs. G. W. McLamb, Rt. 1, Box 28, Shallotte, N. C.

Pray that my mother will get willing to go out in the work with my father; me to hold out faithful; our church to go over the top; our pastor's needs to be supplied.—Mrs. Herman Bigley, Rt. 1, Box 103, Irvin, Ky.

Me to get stronger in the faith; my foot to be healed of some sores.—Ralph

Boswell, Heflin, Ala.

My husband to be saved; God to remove a hindering cause.—Sister E. Grey, Muirhouse Buxton, Jam., B. W. I.

My two daughters to receive the Holy Ghost; my unsaved husband to be saved; our pastor; me.—Sister Z. A. Brown, Muirhouse Buxton, Jam., B. W. I.

Me to receive the Holy Ghost.—Jubetha Brown, Muirhouse Buxton, Jam., B. W. I.

Me to be healed and be an overcomer and soul winner; my brothers and sisters to be saved.—N. H. McFarlane, Jam., B. W. I.

Me to be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.—Sister Perlita Brown, Jam., B. W. I.

God to bless pastors and churches at places in Saskatchewan, Canada; friends and husband to receive the Holy Ghost; unspoken request.—Mrs. C. O. Soderberg, Senate, Sask., Canada.

I have just started out in the work of the Lord, so pray for me and for the re-

vival which I am to start at Artie, W. Va. Thank God for healing me of stomach trouble.—Mrs. Della Walker, Comfort, W. Va.

My brother-in-law to get salvation again. Brother C. G. Edwards, please write me.—Willie N. Durr, Rt. 2, Box 56, Bogue Chitto, Miss.

The healing of my nerves; unspoken request; God to save a young boy and three girls.—Zoro Starns, Barnhill, Ill.

My father, brother and two brothers-in-law to be saved.—Miss Madge Ranew, Rt. 2, Cobbtown, Ga.

Unspoken request; this town; the Lord to provide for me; the healing of a Mr. Smith who is very sick; the saints here and me; God to supply my needs.—Mrs. L. A. Brinkley, Homerville, Ga.

My daughter and companion to come back to the Lord, also pray for me.—Pearl McCaughan, Equality, Ill.

The healing of my afflicted hips and limbs; the complete healing of my body; three unspoken requests; my husband to

Church of God Parsonage, Union, S. C.



The Church of God parsonage at Union, S. C., recently purchased through the faithful work of the Ladies' Willing Worker Band and the pastor, Brother W. C. Lee, in the front view.

The L. W. W. B. surely deserves its name "Willing Workers" for its members are putting forth every effort to raise money with great accomplishments, with the aid and assistance of our faithful pastor and family who are exceedingly interested in the church's progress. The church as a whole seems interested in what the Willing Workers are doing, for they are so willing to contribute to help them.

I would also like to mention our Sunday School, which, since the Assembly, has broken the all-time record. Despite the rain, sleet and snow on January 7 we had 148 attendance, our record attendance being 238. Our Y. P. E. is going over the top. We now hold the state banner and expect to do our best to keep it though we don't forget to give God the praise for what is being done for we realize without Him we are complete failures, and by doing so we are greatly blessed in every service. Praise His name. Souls are being saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and added to the Church of God.

We are praying for a revival and desire your prayers that the city of Union will be stirred by the power of God and many souls will seek Him.

I believe I have spoken the sentiment of the L. W. W. B. and church in general.—Mrs. V. M. Sanford, Buffalo, S. C.

fully surrender to God; a friend who has backslidden to come back to the Lord.—Sister Maud Lever, 1717 St. Luke St., Augusta, Ga.

God to strengthen me; the healing of my weak eyes.—Mrs. O. Langdale, Lake City, Fla.

My family and loved ones to be saved.—Lydia Walker, Immokalee, Fla.

The healing of my mother and father.—Mrs. G. N. May, Union, Miss.

I am very sick in bed with heart trouble, please pray for my healing, if it is His will.—Mrs. Mollie Wilson, Blossom, Tex.

The healing of my right limb, I am afflicted from my foot to my head on the right side; the healing of my nerves; God to take me through an unspoken request; my children. — Sister Mannie Walker, 1717 St. Luke St., Augusta, Ga.

The Lord to heal my body.—Mrs. E. F. Bennett.

My daddy to be healed of something like a cancer on his nose. Anointed cloth and encouraging letters appreciated. He is a member of the Church of God at Letcher, Ala. His address is E. M. Hall, Star Rt., Larkinsville, Ala. — Frances Golden.

Two unspoken requests; our family to be healed of colds and get closer to the Lord; my son who has asthma to be healed.—Mrs. J. A. Treadaway, Rt. 1, Fyffe, Ala.

The complete healing of my body of epileptics. I am trusting the Lord to heal me. My faith to grow stronger and all doubts cast aside; my stomach to be healed; my sisters, brothers and other loved ones to be saved; my sister with whom I live to come back to the true way. Anointed cloth appreciated.—Mrs. Maude Reinhardt, Rt. 2, Newport, Tenn.

Me to be healed of the flu; the upbuilding of the church here; the Lord to help us in getting a new church.—Willie M. Livingston, Rt. 1, Box 44, Poplar Grove, Ark.

The healing of my baby girl whom I am afraid has pneumonia.—A. R. Wil-
lingham, Rt. 1, Bald Knob, Ark.

The healing of a boy who is afflicted and that he will receive the Holy Ghost; a boy who has boils all over his body to be healed and that he will get full salvation.—Mrs. Florida A. Smith, Rt. 1, Box 199, Arcadia, Fla.

Revival

LAVONIA, Ga.—Thank the Lord for the four weeks' revival just closed here with W. O. Boheler in charge. Fifteen were saved, four sanctified, and four filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother Boheler did some wonderful preaching. Please pray for him and the work here.—Elmer Owens, clerk.

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YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

I Must Do My Best

I want to sound a note of praise to God for His goodness to me. Jesus has kept me four years and I find Him all I need in every test. I realize I have a place to fill in the great Church of God. I must go and do my very best with the Lord's help. The fire is burning in my soul and I must tell someone about Jesus. I don't want to find fault with my brothers and sisters and try to see their mistakes and not look at my own. I want to keep my eyes on things above, on the Savior that died for me. I feel so good in my soul to know that I am saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost, and am a member of the Church of God. I think of the love of Jesus and how He wants to lead His people on and make soul-winners of them.

God's people need to fast and pray more and not talk about the things that are not for the glory of the Lord. That is what will bring the presence of Jesus in our midst and make us a blessing to others. Work more and more every day, for just a little while now and it will be too late to work.—Your humble sister looking for Jesus, Mrs. R. P. Johnson, Branford, Florida.

OBITUARIES

MARPLE

Brother John W. Marple, loyal and faithful member of the Church of God at Petersburg, W. Va., passed to his reward Dec. 15, 1939; age thirty-nine years.—W. W. Webb, pastor, Petersburg, W. Va.

BROWN

Mrs. Maggie Zenia Brown, faithful member of the Church of God at Ashland, Ohio, was born Nov. 18, 1876 and departed this life Jan. 8, 1940.—Her pastor, C. B. Huff.

SMITH

Little William Henry Smith was born July 22, 1939 and departed this life Dec. 23, 1939; age five months. Please pray for us in our bereavement.—His heartbroken parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Smith, Shaw, Miss.

DICKERSON

Brother J. S. Dickerson, faithful mem-

ber of the Church of God at Hudson Chapel, was born March 4, 1878 and died Dec. 17, 1939.—Mrs. G. N. May, Union, Miss.

LARRISON

Little Thomas Edward Larrison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Larrison, was born July 15, 1937 and died Dec. 1, 1939; age two years, four months and fifteen days.—Mrs. Kelly Rose, West Bend, Ky.

ANDERSON

Brother Tommie Anderson, faithful member of the Church of God at Bonifay, Fla., passed away Dec. 17, 1939.—His pastor, J. N. Morgan.

STATUM

Our precious father, age eighty-three years, suddenly passed away Sept. 24, 1939, while visiting his son, Rev. H. D. Statum, East Rainelle W. Va. He was a member of the Church of God at his home in Pratt City, Ala.—One who loved him, his daughter, Mrs. Wm. Sexton, Pratt City, Ala.

BELL

Miss Maggie Bell departed this life Jan. 7, 1940. She was a charter member of the Walhalla, S. C. church No. 1.—Her niece, Sallie Kelley.

HARRIS

Mrs. Minnie Lee Harris, a fine Christian woman and loving mother, departed this life Jan. 16, 1940.—John E. Connatter, pastor, Maccleddy, Fla.

HOLT

Sister Laura Holt, a devoted Christian and faithful member of the Church of God at Biltmore, N. C., departed this life Dec. 1, 1939.—One who loved her, Gertrude Briggs, clerk.

HATCHER

Brother Joe Hatcher, oldest member of the Church of God at Cheraw, S. C., departed this life Jan. 13, 1940.—Fred W. Barfield, pastor, Cheraw, S. C.

MORGAN

Brother Sam Morgan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Morgan and faithful member of the Church of God at Hayesville, N. C., was born Feb. 11, 1923 and died Jan. 1, 1940; age sixteen years, ten months and twenty days.—Eva Gibson, Hayesville, N. C.

TARVER

Sister Lizzie Tarver, faithful member of the Church of God and wife of Bishop W. M. Tarver (colored), departed this life Jan. 7, 1940.—A friend, Dorothy Stewart, St. Petersburg, Fla.

Mission Page

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for bringing us safe into 1940. Praise His name! I am also glad to say that we have, at Rock Hall, twenty-seven members in full fellowship, and six candidates were baptized in water this morning. There are plenty of followers who are waiting for the next baptism, if life is spared. Our Sunday School has 113 on our roll. Praise the dear Lord! Pray for us at Rock Hall. —Faithfully yours, Hilton Medford, pastor.

ELLERTONS, St. Georges, Barbados, B. W. I.—To the Church of God, with the bishops, elders, workers, and coworkers: We are thankful to God for the privilege of being able to meet here for another quarterly meeting. Let us all remember that the trial of our faith is much more precious than gold that perishes though it be tried with fire, that we may be found unto His praise and honor and glory at the appearing of Jesus.

We have, at Ellertons, thirty-six members in full fellowship and during the quarter two have been baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire, three sanctified, six backsliders have been reclaimed, and five have been saved. Five were baptized this morning. Our Sunday School has twenty-seven on the roll. There has been plenty of sickness among our people and we have lost one member by death. We have had electric lights installed in our meeting room, at a cost of \$10.40. We also have gathered \$12.00 for repairs on our church through the Willing Workers Band. To God be all the glory.—Clerk at Ellertons, St. Georges.

Leaves From the Fig Tree

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this is in print. Germany is at war with France and England and England's many possessions and dominions, including Canada. Japan is waging a war of aggression in China. Well over half the world population is at war. Human blood is selling cheap today. In addition to the wars, internal unrest is breaking governments. Cabinets are tottering. Our own country is making the largest "peace time" appropriation in her history for armaments. All these tragic events are the finger of God pointing to the coming of His Son. Let the mighty Church of God proclaim the important messages of salvation, sanctification, the baptism with and in the Holy Ghost, that men may be ready to go when He comes.

Daily Bread

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as he continued to skim the dross that came to the top of the liquid metal which was being refined by the intense heat. A bystander asked the question, "How can you tell when the metal is ready to take up?" "That is easy," replied the old re-

finer. "When it has been so purified and all the dross skimmed off until I can see my own picture in it, then it is ready to take up." The Lord has so chosen us in a furnace of affliction and when through the refining process, we have become so perfected that He can Himself in us, the Church will be raptured.

Question Box

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you call a lie, unto his glory, why am I yet judged as a sinner? The same is true today. The holiness people are branded as fanatics and as liars and yet God's blessings are upon them.

Question: Please explain Matt. 11:12.—E. W. H.

Answer: Matt. 11:12, "And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force." This evidently referred to that spiritual kingdom, the Church Age, which should be set up at the end of the law. Inasmuch as it is prophesied that publicans and harlots would come into the kingdom before the Jews, it has direct reference to Gentile nations who with violence would come in and accept the teaching of Christ. The word "violent" in this instance means "readily, or suddenly." Publicans and sinners enthusiastically received Christ and His doctrine.

REPORTS

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respect. We may have some churches which will not be on the honor roll but you will find some of them on top with everything. We are working and praying that all will be on top. Come on, pastors and laymembers, let's go over the top with everything one hundred per cent. We can do it if we will. We have some good pastors who are working. Some of our churches are small and out in the country and so far apart that it is hard to get pastors, but we are doing the best we can. We have had some real good revivals on the district and are planning more soon. I am pastor at Jellico. Brother Biggs and daughter ran a real revival for us. Many went through and the church was greatly revived. Brother Biggs and daughter are real Church of God material. God blesses them with success. During the revival the church surprised me with a nice \$22.50 suit. How I do appreciate those good folks. I have found some big-hearted people at Jellico, both church folks and outsiders. Thank God for these good people who are standing by me. I am praying that God will save and bring in a number of those folks.—J. S. Walker, district overseer.

GAFFNEY, S. C.—Brother F. L. Muller, pastor, reports a wonderful revival conducted by M. N. McPherson, with thirteen saved, ten sancti-

fied, five filled with the Holy Ghost and three added to the church. They have raised their aged ministers' fund.

JELICO, Tenn.—Mrs. R. D. Davis writes of a good revival conducted by Rev. D. A. Biggs and daughter, Sister Bessie Jones, assisted by Rev. J. S. Walker, pastor at Jellico. There were eighteen saved, thirteen sanctified, five filled with the Holy Ghost and eight added to the church. The revival closed with baptizing in the afternoon and communion service and feet washing at the evening service, which were a great blessing. The Sunday School and church attendance is increasing each Sunday; they are expecting to build a new church soon.

PROVIDENCE, Tenn.—A three weeks' revival was conducted by Brothers Floyd Malone and Jess Henderson. Although there were none saved, there were several hungry for the Holy Ghost. Pray that God will fill these hungry souls. Thank God for the Lenoir City folks who helped with the singing during the revival. We have a good Y. P. E. on Saturday night and an extra good Sunday School. Pray for Providence. We thank God for our new pastor, W. B. Chamberlain.—Dorothy Wells, clerk, Rt. 1, Byington, Tenn.

CRYSTAL SPRINGS, Miss.—We have just closed an eleven nights' revival in my home with Brother Julius Hammock doing the preaching. Much good was done. We enjoyed having him and his wife in our home. This is a hard and wicked place but God can change all things. We still pray that the way will be opened for a real revival next summer. If there is a real Church of God preacher passing this way, we would be glad for you to drop by for a few nights. Pray much for a church here.—M. T. Buffington, Rt. 2.

I praise the Lord for old time power and for the precious blood of Jesus. I have the Holy Ghost and am a member of the Church of God. I love her doctrine and teachings. Jesus has kept me nine years and two months now and I am still determined to hold on to the end. I have had some hard battles which seemed impossible to overcome, but praise God for victory through Christ.

We thank God for our new Elder A. N. Mitchell. Pray that he will keep humble. We are so poor yet he bears with us. Also pray that we will have a building to worship in, that my mother and son will be saved and my body will be healed.—Mrs. Lucia Fairclough, Sherwood, P. O., Jam., B. W. I.

Jesus a Wonderful Healer

MARKS, Miss.—I praise our great King for His wonderful power to save and heal. Some time ago we were called to a home to pray for a girl who was suffering from the much dreaded disease of hematuria. After her people had had the doctor and he pronounced her case hematuria and started to give her shots she refused to take them. The doctor left. She then asked us to pray that she would be saved and healed. We began praying. It seemed her faith was very weak as her father, brother and one sister had already passed on with this same disease a few years ago. Oh, how we called on God, begging Him to save and heal her. She didn't want us to hardly cease praying until God wonderfully came on the scene and she was saved. The Lord healed her completely without one dose of anything. Praise His name. He is a wonderful healer. I praise Him for a brave girl like Sister Grace. I praise Him for salvation.

I need your prayers that I'll stand true and live in a way that when I'm called on to pray for sick folks God will hear and answer prayer. Pray that I may be completely healed.—Gladys Smith, Rt. 2.